

**I claim**

1. A modular illumination strip comprising:  
an illumination strip with a top side having a reflective surface and a plurality of holes therein,;  
5 an electrical circuit having a first end and second end, the first and second ends having corresponding connectors that are adapted to connect to another illumination strip; and  
a light source electrically connected to the electrical circuit and placed within the illumination strip, the light source emitting light through the holes of  
10 the illumination strip.
2. The modular illumination strip of claim 1, wherein:  
the light source is connected to the electrical circuit in parallel so that if the light source fails, the electrical circuit will continue to provide energy between  
15 the first and second ends.
3. The modular illumination strip of claim 1, wherein:  
the light source comprise a single light source connected to a plurality of fiber optic cables which transfer the light from the light source to the holes in the  
20 top side of the illumination strip.
4. The modular illumination strip of claim 3, wherein:  
the light source in a light emitting diode.
- 25 5. The modular illumination strip of claim 4, wherein:  
the light source is programmable to blink in a predetermined sequence.
6. The modular illumination strip of claim 1, wherein:

the connectors are one of a corresponding male and female receptacle which are configured to mate with each other.

7. The modular illumination strip of claim 1, wherein:

5 the illumination strip includes a bottom side having an attachment surface adapted to secure the illumination strip to an article, the attachment surface being one of an adhesive, magnetic strip, or hook and latch-type strip.

8. The modular illumination strip of claim 1, wherein:

10 the illumination strip is bendable so that it may be formed into various shapes.

9. An illumination system comprising:

15 a plurality of illumination strips, each strip have a first illumination side with a plurality of holes therein and a second non-illuminating side, an electrical circuit within the illumination strip extending between a first end and a second end, the first end and second end having a male plug and female receptacle, respectively, and a light source within the illumination strip emitting a light through said holes;

20 wherein the plurality of illumination strips are electrically and physically connected to one another by mating the male plug of a first illumination strip to the female receptacle of a second adjacent illumination strip.

10. The illumination system of claim 9, further comprising:

25 a power source attached to one of the male plug or female receptacle on a first illumination strip, said power source providing the electrical power to the light source in each illumination strip.

11. The illumination system of claim 9, wherein:

each illumination strip comprises a plurality of fiber optic cables attached to the light source, the fiber optic cables transferring the light emitted from the light source to the holes in the illumination strip.

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12. The illumination system of claim 9, wherein:

the non-illuminating side includes a fastening surface which secures the illuminating strip to an article.

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13. The modular illumination strip of claim 9, wherein:

the light source is programmable to blink in a predetermined sequence.

14. The modular illumination strip of claim 9, wherein:

each illumination strip is bendable so that it may be formed into various shapes.

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